

March 25, 2009

Representative
US House of Representatives
ADDRESS
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative:

On behalf of FRCAction, the legislative arm of the Family Research Council, and the families we represent across America, I write to urge you to cosponsor H.R. 1802, Rep. Todd Tiahrt's Commission on the Accountability and Review of Federal Agencies Act (CARFA). This legislation creates a Commission that will significantly increase government accountability on spending, and will ensure that government funds allocated to Federal agencies be spent for the explicit purpose of carrying out that agencies intended purpose.

The Commission will review all domestic Federal agencies, identify where excess spending occurs, and submit to Congress a reorganization plan. This reorganization plan will include the combination of agencies that are performing the same function, as well as suggest the elimination of agencies that have completed their intended purpose, have failed to meet objectives, or have become irrelevant. The money that will be saved as a result of the work of the Commission can be reallocated to other government programs that need funding, assist in paying off the national debt, or be put directly back into the people's hands by lowering taxes.

Excess and unnecessary government spending need to be stopped. And the CARFA Act is a perfect place to start. CARFA is not designed to eliminate Federal agencies that are still necessary and in the process of accomplishing their intended purpose, but is designed to eliminate agencies that are no longer serving the purpose that they were created for. With the current budget deficit continuing to rise, there is no question that if the government intends to balance the budget, something must be done. Government agencies have been notorious for egregious spending, but it is time that this practice stops. In order to curtail excess government spending there needs to be greater accountability within government; the question is whether or not you are willing to take leadership in promoting this accountability.

Please lend your support and contact Representative Tiahrt's office to indicate that you will co-sponsor H.R. 1802. We look forward to working with you on this bill.

Sincerely,



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